

IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA.

THE WONDERFUL DEVELOPMENT GO-
ING ON IN THAT REGION.

The New City of Ivanhoe in Cripple Creek Valley—A Town of Splendid Promise, With Immense Mineral Wealth and Valuable Forests Around It.

(Special Correspondence of SUNDAY HERALD.)
IVANHOE, WYTHE CO., VA., July 3.—The representative of THE HERALD who has been knocking about in the southwestern section of Virginia for some days taking notes of the wonderful development which is going on here has almost settled down to the conviction that he is not in staid Old Virginia at all, but in one of the new booming, hustling States of the far West, where cities spring up in a night and the population doubles at least twice a year. The air in this region is full of the ozone of enterprise and progress. Every one tells of the good times coming, of the new cities that are being built up rapidly, but on a substantial basis that has none of the elements of the Western "boom" about it, of the steady influx of Northern and Eastern capital to open up mines, start furnaces, cotton, woollen, and saw-mills, and in a thousand other ways aid the advent of that era of greatness and prosperity for the new South which will swallow up and be greater than the old.

And no one who has eyes to see can fail to perceive that this talk and the hopes that beget it are amply justified by what has already been done. The men who are aiding the development of this section of Virginia bear names that are accepted in business circles the country over as synonyms for the utmost financial safety and solidity. They have practically unlimited capital at their command, and their operations here can hardly be classed as speculative, for there is in plain sight ample proof for even an unpracticed eye that the returns are as certain as any future event can be.

Take this beautiful little city of Ivanhoe and the surrounding region as a type. Looking at it merely as a place of residence, it is hard to find one with greater attractions. Two thousand feet above sea level, the air is pure, bracing, and absolutely free from the taint of malaria. The mere breathing of it is a joy, and while the rest of the country, East, North and West, has been gasping in a torrid wave, we here among the forests and mountains have been basking in a sun that warms without a suggestion of oppression, while at night we sleep in uninterrupted comfort under light blankets. The landscape all about here along new river and Cripple Creek is wonderfully beautiful, with its swift-rushing waters, its green valleys, and the wooded mountains in the distance.

But while these external beauties invite the eye and stir the pulse, they are after all but minor considerations to those in search of new homes and who seek to found new fortunes. It is the almost unlimited and undeveloped wealth of natural resources of the famous Cripple Creek Valley and the region about that will turn the tide of emigration this way, and fill with busy, prosperous populations what is now a comparatively unsettled country. The enterprising gentlemen who are building up Ivanhoe have made a splendid start. They have laid out a plan of improvements of real magnitude of scope, and already have begun to realize it. New furnaces, factories, hotels, churches, schools, and dwellings have been planned, and in course of construction, that insure for this town a future as grand as it is assured. New enterprises are seeking to locate here almost every day, and they are given every inducement by the company which is devoting itself to the development of Ivanhoe.

The Ivanhoe Improvement Company has a capital of \$170,000, which it is expending as rapidly as is judicious in laying out streets, building water works, and in many other ways necessary for the development of the city. Among the gentlemen who are especially active in developing the resources of this fine region none have done more than Mr. Charles G. Eddy, the genial and indefatigable vice president of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, of Roanoke, Va. Mr. W. C. Van Doren, president of the Ivanhoe Company, is also a tireless worker, but always finds time to show consideration to the traveler and seeker after information. Mr. S. M. Seeley, secretary and treasurer of the company, is another gentleman whose enthusiastic belief in the future of this region will certainly not fall short of realization through any failure of his to work with all his might for it.

As a manufacturing site the advantages of the city of Ivanhoe are even greater than those she offers to the home-seeker. Situated on New River, thirty-two miles from Pulaski, Va., at the entrance of the Cripple Creek Valley, right at the junction of two large railroads, the Cripple Creek extension of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, and the North Carolina extension, now under construction to the State line, where connection will be made with the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, this city possesses facilities of transportation and commerce with all the centres of industry which would be difficult to equal. The Cripple Creek Valley is famed for the abundance, variety, and richness of its iron, copper, lead, zinc, manganese, and other ores; for its almost inexhaustible supplies of coal; and for its vast expanse of land, covered with forests of oak, chestnut, ash, hickory, and pine. At the late exposition held in Richmond this county took the first prizes for both minerals and woods.

The level plateau bordering New River for an extent of one and one-half miles has been set apart for manufacturing purposes, and this immense water power, of almost incalculable strength, contributes to the other natural advantages of the city as a manufacturing centre. The company offers its willing cooperation in all manufacturing enterprises, and unequalled opportunities are offered for safe and profitable investments. Furnace No. 1 of the New River Mineral Company is already in successful operation, while the Ivanhoe Iron Company, under the presidency of Jordan L. Mott, of the famous New York firm of iron manufacturers, has been organized for the purpose of erecting another large furnace. The Ivanhoe Zinc Company has purchased immense deposits of zinc ores, which they are now developing, and will shortly erect several furnaces of large capacity. The proximity of the city to the rich deposits of coal, and to the Southern States, the sources of cheap labor, to which they are brought into connection by means of its railroad facilities, of exceptional excellence, make the manufacture of these metals a splendid chance of investment for capitalists.

Ivanhoe's connection with the most profitable markets is likewise assured by its position and by its railroads. The Norfolk and Western, with its numerous branches, brings it into close and rapid connection with leading markets in every section of the country, while by its connection with the Louisville and Nashville system the markets of the great West are opened up to it. The North and East are reached through the agency of the Shenandoah route and its own main line to Norfolk, while its promised connection with the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad will make for the Ivanhoe manufacturers a new outlet to the South and Southeast. The proximity of Ivanhoe to immense waterpower makes it a splendid situation for the investment of capital in wood-working establishments, while with its nearness to the cotton-fields of South Carolina, with their cheap female and child

labor, unavailable for other industries, an exceptional opportunity is offered for the manufacture of cotton and woollen fabrics. The graders of Southwest Virginia, having learned the hopelessness of successful competition with Western cattle raisers, have turned their attention to the growing of wool, and the supply of that commodity is enormously on the increase. The tanning industry has also assumed some importance, fostered by the advantages of a large supply of oak, chestnut, and hemlock bark, and the feasibility of direct importation of South American hides.

The Norfolk and Western Railroad, of which Mr. Charles G. Eddy is vice president, offers innumerable advantages to the manufacturers of this city, laying down, as it does, the raw material at their doors, and transporting to all quarters of the country the products of their factories.

Among the capitalists of known resources who are particularly interested in the development of this city may be mentioned Mr. Jordan L. Mott, owner of the large Mott Haven Iron Works of New York, and one of the largest consumers of iron in the North, who is also a director in the New River Mineral Co.; Charles G. Eddy, vice president of the Norfolk and Western Railroad at Roanoke and president of the Roanoke Rolling Mill Company; Edwin Einstein, ex-Congressman from New York City, a large capitalist, owner of the Raritan Woollen Mills in New Jersey; G. H. Seeley of New York City, capitalist, president of the New River Mineral Company; William G. McDowell, treasurer; Joseph H. Sanders, general manager; W. W. Coe, chief engineer; W. B. Bevil, passenger agent, and several other officials connected with the Norfolk and Western Railroad. Edward Lauterbach, capitalist and president of Pacific Mail, and Joshua Hendricks, of the large metal firm of Hendricks Bros., of New York.

THE POLICE MUDDLE.

Officers Pleased at the Stand Commissioner Hine Has Taken.

Affairs at the District Government Building are in *statu quo* as far as the alleged police scandal is concerned. The papers are still in the possession of District Attorney Hazleton, who is investigating the law points involved and satisfying himself that the Commissioners are legally justified in their position. Attorney Hazleton had the papers before him the greater portion of yesterday, and when he left the office yesterday afternoon they were pigeon-holed away in the safe in his office. It is believed that the case will be so formulated by Tuesday evening next that the three Commissioners can sign the papers and thereby bring the alleged offenders to a speedy trial. District Commissioner Douglas says the Commissioners can sign the papers, on information furnished, and that they will not be required to affirm or pledge themselves as to the truth of the allegations. They will act simply in the case as investigators, not prosecutors, and as officials of the District eager to learn if such practices as are charged prevail in the force. Commissioner Robert is pursuing the matter with the same vigilance and earnestness that characterized his earlier work, and gives out that he is determined to get to the bottom of the affair, no matter what the result may be. Commissioner Hine is really occupying a neutral position, and is not altogether satisfied with the state of affairs. It is hinted rather strongly around the District Building that it is not certain he will follow his colleagues in the investigation. He will await the decision of the District Attorney, which, besides clearing the question of police misdemeanors, will also take into consideration the organic act creating the present style of government and the duties to be performed by each of the members. On May 12th of the present year the present Commissioners met and organized, and their various duties were apportioned. Now if this apportionment is binding it may interfere with Col. Robert's acting in his present capacity. Therefore, Commissioner Hine has decided to await the decision of the Attorney before acting. At the meeting of the board yesterday morning something of a sensation was created by Commissioner Hine filing a letter in answer to the ones that Col. Robert gave out on Tuesday last for publication. The absence of Col. Robert at his home in Rockville prevented any explanation, so Commissioner Douglas indorsed it. "Refer to Col. Robert for explanation."

Commissioner Hine was seen after the letter was handed in and said that he need not explain any of its sentences. It was plain, direct, and to the point, and fully expressed his views on the status of affairs, though of course he will await future action and opinions of the District Attorney. Commissioner Douglas would not talk on the subject, saying he had better wait a day or so before talking.

The letter was widely read yesterday, and around the various station-houses was the theme of general talk. The officers were somewhat elated over it and made no effort to conceal their pleasure, and their tongues wagged rather merrily over the new phase affairs had taken.

A Merry Boating Party.

On Wednesday last a merry party went up the Potomac and through the courtesy of the Potomac Boat Club enjoyed the privileges of the landing. Dancing was indulged in in the evening with music of three pieces and thunder and lightning accompaniment. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Stutz, Mr. and Mrs. Leru D. Geneste, Mrs. Laski, the Misses Bessie Kelley, Clara Stewart, Mollie E. Waters, Julia Laski, Eugene Laski, Maggie Lamond, Jennie Lamond, Ida Stutz, Madge Laski, Lizzie Raeburn, Paul Stutz, Messrs. A. A. Smith, W. C. Smith, Charles Parker, Lawrence Eberbach, Will Way, and Dr. Carroll.

Terrible Ending of a Jollification.

LOUISVILLE, KY., July 5.—Last night a party of young ladies and gentlemen and a number of children were returning from Frank Atkins's farm, where they celebrated the day. They were joyously chatting and singing, thoughtlessly when their immense vehicle (a furniture wagon) was crossing the track of the Louisville Southern Railroad a train came upon them suddenly, completely demolishing the vehicle, throwing the people in all directions. Two young men and an eight-year-old child were killed, and nine of the others were dangerously injured. Some of the parties in the wagon declare that the engineer failed to whistle for the crossing, though he, as well as the conductor, denies this. Both of the latter claim that a prolonged whistle was given.

U. S. Naval Station at Pago-Pago.

APIA, SAMOA, June 17, per steamer Mariposa to San Francisco.—The United States steamer Mohican, with Consul General Sewall aboard, visited Pago-Pago several weeks ago and took formal possession of two pieces of land there which were ceded to the United States by the Samoan government.

Soldiers and Sailors' Monument.

STERLING, ILL., July 5.—A monument to the soldiers and sailors, presented to the city by Col. Moses Dillon, was unveiled here yesterday. About 30,000 people were present. Gen. Russell Alger delivered a brief address.

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TOWN TALK.

—The Washington Light Infantry Battalion recently agreed to adopt a new corps badge, and to that end solicited designs from fifty manufacturers of badges and buttons in this and other cities. The committee after inspecting the lot agreed to recommend the design submitted by Messrs. Voigt & Haas, of this city, and it has been unanimously adopted by the soldier boys. The design is in the shape of a circular pendant, suspended by gold chains from a solid bar of pure gold. On the bar is engraved "Semper Paratus." The medal proper is a circular piece of gold, the centre being inlaid with blue and white enamel, and the color of the corps, while diagonally across the face runs the letters "W. L. I. C." in gold filling. Around the outer bar is engraved in blue and white letters "Organized 1882." It is a very pretty badge, and reflects credit on the designers.

—The most popular teacher may get a free trip to Europe, but those of the male persuasion—who remain at home may find delight and good cheer at the New York Buffet, where the genial Maj. Costello dispenses hospitality of the most exhilarating and agreeable kind.

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—Agnes Shanley, aged about fifty, wife of Patrick Shanley, a bricklayer, residing at No. 1339 New Jersey avenue southeast, arrested on the charge of profanity, was locked up in the Fifth Precinct station-house over Saturday night and Sunday in default of bail. About 9 o'clock Sunday evening, the \$5 necessary for her release having been procured, the station-keeper went to the cell and called her, when it was discovered that she was dead. The coroner, Patterson, found that death was due to excessive heat and heart failure.

—Drink Tannhauser beer. H. Benzler.

—The committee of artists, Messrs. Paul Havenden, John Boyle, and Carl Newman, selected to make the annual award of the Corcoran Art Medal to the pupil of the Corcoran Art School making most progress during the year, have awarded the medal to Miss Rosa Simons. The work of Mrs. Kemm and Mr. George Kauffman is recommended for honorable mention. Miss Simons graduated from the High School in 1885.

—There have been 688 retail liquor licenses issued during the present year, as against 880 last year. Of the 688 licenses issued 122 failed to receive the approval of Commissioner Douglass.

—See statement of Lincoln National Bank in another column.

—The papers in the case of the appointment of Officer Hutton have been sent to the First Comptroller, in order to get a decision as to the Commissioners' right to appoint on the police force men who have not been soldiers or sailors.

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—There was only one fire on the Fourth, notwithstanding the fact that probably more fire works were used than on any previous Fourth in many years. The fire was in the woodshed in the rear of No. 1339 S street northwest, and caused slight damage.

—The Oldest Inhabitants' Association celebrated the Fourth of July at their rooms in the Corcoran Building by re-selecting the old officers, listening to the reading of the Declaration by Mr. E. Wheeler, to an oration by Gen. E. C. Carrington, and to the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" by Mr. Hall, all the members joining in the chorus.

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—From a comparison of the bids made for furnishing the District with coal a suspicion has arisen in the minds of the Commissioners that a combine had been formed. Consequently all the bids were rejected, save the one of Mayfield & Helston for Cumberland coal at \$3.19 a ton, which was accepted.

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A letter has been received by the Commissioners requesting that immediate steps be taken to connect with the water supply the drinking fountain at the intersection of Pennsylvania avenue and Seventh street, presented to the District by Professor Frederick of the Independent Order of Good Templars.

—Collector of Taxes Davis says his office is away behind its work because the clerical force is insufficient. Only one clerk has been added to the office in ten years, while the work has doubled.

—Mrs. Ann Fitch, mother of Mrs. J. M. McGraw, died last morning, July 2. She was born in Loudoun County, Va., and was ninety-one years of age at the time of her death. Her remains were taken to Ohio by Col. M. H. Fitch, of Loudoun, for interment.

A bargain is what war is after these times, and people are apt to go where such can be procured; it goes without saying that persons needing furniture, upholstery goods, carpets, and everything else that can be found in a first-class establishment of the kind, had better get a great reduction in prices until August 1, at Thomas J. Singleton's, 415 Seventh street northwest, the well-known and popular furniture dealer.

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—Mrs. J. H. Raiston, of Hyattsville, Md., has been conducting an industrial school at Bladensburg for the past year. Her pupils were of all shades of color, and of all ages, ranging from ages from eight to fourteen. The school closed last week.

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—Dr. J. M. Gregory recently delivered an interesting and instructive lecture on "Sanitation" before a large audience of fellow-townsmen at Hyattsville, Md.

The Commissioners have received a letter from Mr. John A. Baker, calling attention to the alleged designs of the Washington Market Company to re-establish possession, free of rent, of part of the rear of the market building, the tract between Seventh and Ninth streets. Mr. Baker attacks the record of the Market Company in vigorous style, and urges that the wholesale market be put under the control of the city. The District authorities are moving in the matter.

—When an officer of the Third Precinct attempted to arrest James E. Majors, colored, of No. 413 New Hampshire avenue, for vagrancy, on Wednesday, James ran away. The officer threw his club after him, breaking his collar bone. James's injury was attended to at the Police Court, and Judge Miller sent him to the work-house for thirty days.

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—Charles Leightner, aged fifteen, met with a very serious accident on Friday by the explosion of a bottle of gunpowder. The physicians think he will become totally blind from the result of the explosion.

—Mrs. Agnes, the five-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mary Smith, 410 Sixth street northwest, was fatally burned on the Fourth. Her dress caught fire from some matches she was striking, and before help could reach her she was so badly burned that she died a few hours later.

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—John H. Townsend, brother of Health Officer Townsend and of the late Representative Townsend, of Illinois, died in this city on Thursday night. He was an old telegrapher, and during the war served in the Confederate army, on the staff of Gen. Bryan, of Georgia. He leaves a widow and one child.

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—Mr. F. R. Gillis, of Philadelphia, formerly of Washington, who has been on a visit to his parents for the past three weeks, left the city Monday morning for Eaglesmere, Pa., where he has charge of the music for the season.

—Richard Britt, an employee of J. S. Varnell & Sons, is locked up at the Twelfth-street station to await an investigation of his affairs. It appears that Britt has been making too free use of the funds of the firm.

The Democrats raised the point of no quorum in the House when the conference report on the District Appropriation bill was brought in, and the House adjourned without acting on the bill.

—George Smith stole an umbrella yesterday from Mr. Lafayette Fields and he is now locked up in the First Precinct to await his appearance before Judge Miller.

—George Smith, a young carpenter, while at work in Le Droit Park yesterday, met with an accident that will probably make him a cripple for life. He was engaged in driving nails on a

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roof, when the hatchet glanced and struck him on the knee-cap, splitting it almost in two. He was carried to the Emergency Hospital, where his wounds were dressed. He was then conveyed in the police patrol to his home on Capitol Hill.

More than two hundred journeyman wagon and carriage makers met in Shea's Hall, July 2, and adopted resolutions demanding that on and after July 14 a working day shall consist of nine hours instead of ten, while the wages remain as at present, with extra pay for all over-time.

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—Gilbert W. Purdy, a member of Columbia Lodge No. 1, I. O. M., died at his residence, 3214 Eleventh street northwest, on Friday evening last, and will be buried this (Sunday) evening at 4 o'clock.

—Do not fail to read the auction sale of Thomas Dowling in another column.

Col. Robert, Attention!

To the Editor of The Sunday Herald:

Sir: On Friday last, as a party of boys were enjoying themselves in a way that did no harm to any one, having a bonfire, they were suddenly charged upon by a party, or perhaps we should say mob, of policemen, who chased them, put out their fire, and then retired, feeling, perhaps, that they had done a noble work.

Now, it so happens that this fire was taking place with the full consent and approval of a majority of the residents of that portion of the city, nearly all of whom were on hand to witness it, knowing that it was in a spot where it could do no possible harm to any one's property. Many spectators, myself among them, remonstrated with these lordly "guardians of the Peace" but to no effect. These policemen seem possessed of a desire to persecute the boys, who, it seems, have no redress. I would like to know if you can suggest anything that can be done to protect the rights of those living near and about Cooke Park? I neglected to state that I am informed that one of the policemen had twice passed through while the boys were building the pile. Had he warned them it would never have taken place.

WASHINGTON, July 5. "SPECTATOR."

Mangled by Bursting Cannons.

CANTON, OHIO, July 5.—By the explosion of a small cannon, with which a party were celebrating yesterday, Daisy Brisbane, an eight-year-old girl, was struck on the head with a heavy piece of iron, crushing her skull and scattering her brains over the pavement. Charles Elkins had a hand torn off.

ITACA, N. Y., July 5.—Almus Wilcox, aged twenty years, was killed at South Danby yesterday by the premature discharge of a cannon. The gun rebounded, striking him in the face and tearing his head nearly off.

WATERBURY, CONN., July 5.—Edward Foster, John Leonard, Bob Warner, the latter colored, all under fifteen years of age, were fooling with a toy cannon yesterday when it exploded. Leonard loses the sight of both eyes; Foster's hands were terribly burned, and Warner was seriously burned about the face and hands.

NEWS NOTES.

The Treasury received but one offer of bonds for sale yesterday, \$12,500 registered 41 per cents. at 103, which was accepted.

Treasury purchases of bonds since August, 1887, aggregate \$77,200,800; cost, \$524,707,250; cost at maturity would have been \$394,651,106; saving, \$292,933,846.

Supervising Architect of the Treasury William H. Windim has gone to Ellis Island, New York Harbor, to select sites for the various buildings which are to be erected there.

Where a cargo of anthracite and bituminous coal is mixed so as to render it impracticable to separate the free from the dutiable coal the entire cargo is to be treated as bituminous and subjected to the payment of the usual duty.

A Woman Missionary Murdered.

ROCKVILLE, IND., July 5.—Late letters received here from Persia give details of the murder of Mrs. John L. Wright, American Presbyterian missionary, at Salmas, Western Persia, in April. A native school teacher, half American, half Syrian, killed her with a dagger in her own home in revenge for discharge from her employer. Mrs. Wright was a historian and was beautiful, well educated, and accomplished. Her father was a teacher of ancient Syriac in American colleges. She was married to Mr. Wright four years ago. They were in this country last year. Wright was a native of Ohio. The murderess is in custody.

Col. Len. A. Harris Dead.

CINCINNATI, July 5.—Col. L. A. Harris died this morning. He was a member of the board of managers of the National Soldiers' Home. He served with distinction during the War of the Rebellion, is an ex-Mayor of Cincinnati, and was at one time collector of internal revenue in the district. His ailment was chronic, but was considered alarming. He had prepared to leave to-night for Kennebunk, Me., for recuperation.

—The Hyattsville people are agitating the project of building a new public school. Mr. J. H. Raiston is chairman of the board of town commissioners.

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ORD.—Suddenly, at San Francisco, Cal., June 21, at 1230 P. M., of acute pneumonia, Dona Augustus de la Guerra Ord, mother of the wife of First Lieut. John H. H. Feshine, Thirtieth Infantry, and aged seventy-five years and ten days.

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